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The British Columbian.

NEW WESTMINSTER, THURSDAY, APRIL 18.

THE NORTHERN ROUTE.

Our Victoria neighbors appear to be growing really alarmed, judging from the *Colonist* of the 8th instant, lest they might, amidst all their competition, lose the British Columbia trade, which they very properly regard as the chief cause of their past and present success, as well as their great hope for the future.

They made strenuous efforts some time ago to convince Hope, Yale, Douglas, and other towns above, that their true policy was to advocate a union of the Colonies, or as they would express it, "annexation of British Columbia to Vancouver Island," and form direct communication with Victoria, giving New Westminster the go by. Failing in this attempt to induce the wide awake people above to swallow the bait, they now resort to their old sham cry of a "Northern Route" so as to keep the uninitiated in a fog until something turns up.

We have no doubt they would be greatly relieved if they could devise some scheme to get the precious dust of Cariboo, without running the risk of having to come down the Fraser river.

British Columbians of Hope, Yale, Douglas, Cayoosh, Lytton, etc., read the article in the *Colonist* again. You see how quickly the selfish property holders of Victoria would cast off almost the entire inhabited part of this Colony, if they could thereby prevent us from supplying our own miners by direct importations, and the products of our rich agricultural lands, and "feather their own nest" at our expense.

Fraser river is nature's great highway to our gold mines. Until our Government adopt a more wise and liberal policy, Columbia river will attract a small portion of our traffic, but we have nothing to fear from a "northern route." The Governor, Captain Richards, Major Downey, and all those who should be the best judges of the matter, have no faith in this north coast route.

We have heard strange stories about Indians passing over this hidden pathway in six days! But it seems very strange that when Major Downey went in search of this mysterious pass, it was not to be found, although he thoroughly explored all the region where it was supposed to exist, and had many of the Indians there in his view. His report was quite sufficient to convince every unprejudiced mind that the Northern route is a sell, that it can never be of much importance, either to Victoria or any other place south of the 52d degree of North Latitude on this continent.

We are now pointed to the old McKenzie trail from Bentinck Arms to a point on the

Fraser near Fort George, as the best site for the northern road. Now, supposing a road could be made connecting these points, what would be the result? Would it benefit Victoria? Not likely. Let any person of common sense whose mind is not warped by self interest take a careful look at a good map of this coast (the first in Mr. Pemberton's book for instance), and while the map is before him, ask himself the following questions: Does not nature say that goods for this Colony should come direct to New Westminster, and thence by way of the Fraser be distributed through our mining and agricultural districts? As this route is open during the entire year, and flourishing towns have sprung up along its course, its agricultural lands being partially settled and cultivated, is it likely that a trail from Queen Charlotte's Sound, 250 miles long, running over the Coast Range of Mountains, and which at best would not be open more than four months in the year, will ever compete with it?

But even if this Northern route should prove to be all that its most sanguine advocates claim for it, would it be politic or just to spend all our energies and resources in making a road which would only benefit the adventurer, when we can "kill two birds with one stone" by improving nature's highway to our mines, and opening out our agricultural resources at the same time?

But for the sake of viewing the matter in all its bearings, let us suppose that this route will be opened, and that the traffic in that direction will be extensive enough to warrant the expense of making it into a good road. Will it benefit Victoria? Steamers and vessels from Europe, San Francisco, Australia, or the Sandwich Islands, would save some 300 miles, and vessels from China and Japan twice that distance, by going direct to Bentinck Arms, instead of coming round by Victoria. Verily the Victorians must imagine they possess wonderful attractions to suppose they can draw trade hundreds of miles out of its natural channel from all points of the compass.

We do expect that there will, at some future day, be a road of some sort from Bentinck Arms to the Upper Fraser, which will be used a short season in midsummer, and will be a benefit to the northern portion of this Colony and the northwestern end of Vancouver. We believe also that there will be a great highway opened between this and Halifax, via Red River and Canada, and that there will be a road or canal connecting Nanaimo and Barclay Sound. But what does Victoria see in all this to prove that her position is central and superior as the great commercial and naval depot of the British Pacific?

All we ask of our friends across the Gulf is "fair play and no favor," and not to take advantage of us because they have got the start, force trade out of its natural channel, and compel us to have all our goods transhipped at Victoria "whether we will or no."

We will submit to this state of things just as long as we cannot get our goods direct, and that will not be very long.

SPECIAL PLEADING.

There is a long and labored article in the *British Colonist* of the 10th instant, signed "M," which very forcibly reminds one of an able lawyer pleading a bad case.

After laboring at great length to show the advantages and prospects of Victoria as a great commercial centre, and expatiating upon the hidden dangers of navigation to Burrard's Inlet, M., in a fit of generosity, thus refers to the people of this Colony:

"Let our fellow colonists in New Westminster take warning and relieve themselves from the needless task of doing to achieve physical improbabilities. They should thankfully accept the respectable position Providence has in store for them as the inhabitants of a flourishing city only second in the colonies to Victoria. Nature has endowed their side of the Gulf with the lion's share of the precious metal, and it indicates a disposition unworthy of a generous people to indulge in envious murmurings because they cannot monopolize the commercial as well as the mining interest. What are we not prepared to do to conciliate their irritability? We are willing they should enjoy the advantage they have over done, of having their supplies from Victoria—an advantage they are likely to appreciate the longer they possess it."

Merchants of British Columbia, what do you want better than that? If you will only content yourselves with being the second city of the British Pacific, you shall have the privilege (?) as you have had in the past, when your imports will have increased an hundred fold, you shall have the privilege of running your ships from Britain, Australia, China, Japan, &c., to Victoria, discharge their cargoes there, pay wharfage, cartage, storage, and after looking at them a few days, pack them up again, and ship to this port in small steamers, when they must be transhipped again and carried up in our river steamers! And all this, too, when we have an infinitely better harbor of our own, and can save some \$10 on every ton by having our ships come direct here, with the further advantage of being able to give them a return cargo of lumber or spars on the spot—whereas ships discharging at

Victoria must go to Puget or Barclay Sound for a return cargo, and in order to get there will require ballast, which, for an ordinary sized vessel, will cost some \$400. How very kind these Victoria neighbors are! Should we not be thankful?

"When the pleasing rumor of the Imperial Government being about to lay out £38,000 upon naval premises at Esquimalt is confirmed, our position will be yet further strengthened. I am informed, on the authority of a gentleman in high station, that the period is not far distant when arrangements will be completed for the shipment of timber, coal and other products hence to China and Japan."

Again, he says:

"The negotiation now pending between Governor Douglas and the Government of Canada for the cutting of a safe wagon-road through, may be regarded as a precursor of the contemplated railway that will unite the Atlantic with the Pacific. When that devotedly-to-be-wished project shall have been accomplished, the present distance to China will be shortened and many English merchants will be ready to take advantage of the speedy means of transit. Steamers and sailing vessels, not many years hence, will be seen in the vicinity of Victoria awaiting the arrival of smaller craft from the mouth of Fraser river, with freight for transshipment."

So when this overland route is completed, which will, doubtless, terminate at Burrard Inlet, (the Hobson Bay of New Westminster), and we have steamers ready to start on the arrival of the Eastern train for China, Australia, Japan, Sandwich Islands, &c., the through travel, out of pure love to Victoria, will consent to lose a day, and pay extra for the luxury of transshipping themselves and baggage at that city, instead of proceeding direct to their destination!

Has the question never occurred to our Victoria neighbors, when they are boasting about their superior geographical and commercial advantages, if Victoria really possesses such advantages over every other port in the North Pacific, as the great commercial depot, why is it found necessary to retain its free port? How is it that the following sentence, unwittingly penned by M., is really a fact?

"After all that can be said of the mineral and agricultural wealth of the neighborhood, chief reliance for the growth of this particular city of Victoria must be placed in its free-port system."

Is it not true that in the absence of geographical and natural commercial advantages, she is forced to adopt the free-port system, without which she must soon sink into a second or third rate town?

Cities possessing such great natural advantages as "M." would claim for Victoria, do not require to be forced and bolstered up by these special favors, in order to their success. Look at New York, Melbourne, Montreal, Toronto, Halifax and San Francisco.

Their geographical and commercial advantages, and not free ports, have given them their superiority. Not so Victoria. It was forced up by the precious metal of British Columbia and the fostering care of a partial Governor, before the site for this city was fixed upon; and by keeping up a false cry about the difficult navigation between Victoria and this port, they have been but too successful thus far in inducing foreign vessels to step short at their port.

But the scale is turning. The reports and acts of Capt. Richards, R. N., and others, who are the proper judges in this matter, have completely dispelled all visible difficulties in the way of entering this port. And now we are told that there are "hidden dangers."

The summing up of the whole matter is simply and incontrovertibly this: New Westminster is of the natural terminus of ocean navigation, and of the great overland route from the East, and as such must be the future San Francisco of the North Pacific.

Victoria is right in clinging to her free port. Nothing but this will prevent her from falling into decay. But in retaining her free port, she may not retain a monopoly of our commerce. This she cannot much longer do. We cannot afford to throw away thousands of pounds annually for the emolument of our absentee merchants. If they wish to retain the trade of British Columbia, let them come to the proper place to do business.

If we now had a Legislature, or even a Governor who was interested in our welfare, (and we shall soon have both), our tariff could be so altered in five minutes as to remove the real barrier in the way of our trade centering here. We have commercial men from Liverpool amongst us now, who are "spying out the land," and who will be ready to bring ships direct from Britain to this port, so soon as it is certain that there is no mistake about our mines and other resources.

We have no doubt on this point, and would suggest that some of our enterprising citizens should make timely preparation to furnish ships with spars and lumber for return cargoes.

LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

OUR COUNCIL.—We understand the Council has received a reply from His Excellency Governor Douglas, to the facts laid before him, and contained in a resolution in another column. The reply we believe amounts to this: "I deeply regret that the Council, which has done so much good, should have experienced such a difficulty. It is not within my province to interfere in this matter, such interference would be a violation of the powers conferred upon said Council. The proper cure for the evil complained of is public opinion, which will be a far more safe and satisfactory remedy than any action I could take in the matter." While this reply is just about what we anticipated, it is just what it should be. And now that it rests entirely with the people to cure these three traitor boys, it is to be hoped they will speedily administer such a dose as will either kill or cure, as the case is a most urgent one, and will not admit of delay. Every day fooled away in this manner is not only a loss but a disgrace to our city.

While there can be but one opinion as to the extraordinary course adopted by the rascals, it is gratifying to find that the rascals have not been idle. The roadway on Lytton-square is fast approaching completion, the inflammable matter is being cleared away from North-east Bridge, and Columbia street will be put under contract immediately, from Blackwood street to Begbie street. We trust the Fire By-law will be pushed through with all possible dispatch.

NEWS FROM ABOVE.—No later news of importance from the mines. Goods are reported scarce, and packing "up" for lack of mules. Some \$20,000 in dust was brought down this week.

The Caledonia arrived from Victoria on Monday night, bringing freight and passengers. She left yesterday morning.

THE COLONIST'S Special Correspondent, writing from this city, says: "There is no farming going on, with the single exception of Herring's ranch, on the opposite side of the river." Now, if this gentleman makes a practice, while traveling through this Colony, of jumping at conclusions after enlightening the readers of his well-styled *Colonist*, might he not be not so well as stay in Victoria and enlighten the readers of the *Colonist* upon matters pertaining to British Columbia? The fact is, we have within a range of two miles from this city, thirteen farms under cultivation, and in several instances the stock and improvements are upon a large scale. And we should have had twice that number, in sight of this city, were it not for the unwisely pursued policy of Government in reserving a large area of land around the city, for suburban lots, nearly all of which fell into the hands of absentee speculators, and thus the farmer is cut off from the city.

MAJOR DOWNIE.—The Press has just come to hand, containing a long and valuable letter from this gentleman, but we regret our inability to give it a place in this issue, but will publish it next week.

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PITT RIVER ROAD.—A letter will be found in another column from our esteemed friend, S. H. Atkins, Esq. How is it that the road promised by His Excellency Governor Douglas, while up here a few weeks ago, is not in progress? The district through which this road is intended to run, is a most important one, comprising, as it does, a large amount of excellent agricultural land, which should at once be brought into market for actual settlers. The road, in question would only cost a trifle, and could be paid for in land, if necessary, as parties in want of farms in that district would gladly avail themselves of the opportunity of paying for it in work upon the road. We trust the Governor will carry out his promise, and have this road pushed through with all possible dispatch.

CUSTOMS REVENUE.—The Customs revenue for the week ending April 17, were—Duties, £1201 18 8; Harbour dues, £15 4 4; Head money, £7 12; Tonnage Dues, £129 8 0; Warehouse Fees, £0 4 0; Inland Navigation License, £7 4 0. Total, £1414 2 0.

Municipal Council.

The Council met pursuant to adjournment on Wednesday evening, April 18th. Members present: The President (Mr. Ramsay), and Messrs. Cormack, Manson, and Dickinson. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Moved by Mr. Cormack, seconded by Mr. Manson, and carried: That the legitimate proceedings of the municipal council of this city have, from time to time, been interrupted and frustrated, and the public business and interests of the city impoverished, by certain members of the council absconding themselves from the meetings, with a view to render the council powerless in its endeavors to make a fair and just distribution of the municipal revenue for the improvement of the city, with proper regard to the claims of the tax-payers.

Resolved, That in one instance the members complained of (viz. Messrs. Armstrong, Hollick and Brown), avoided the appointed meetings of the council for a period of four weeks, viz. from February 18th to March 18th, and from the latter date to the present time they have attended only once, viz. on the 1st of April. During the first interval of a month, the public business of the city was entirely suspended, and much inconvenience and dissatisfaction experienced thereby.

Resolved, That as a proof of the utter disregard of the three members named for the interests of the community, they, with the rest of the council, on April 21st, appointed an adjourned meeting for noon of April 21st, expressly for the purpose of a third reading and passage of the "Fire Prevention Bill," in order that this important document, urgently called for by the citizens, might be forwarded by the steamer of that day to Victoria for the approval and signature of His Excellency the Governor, to its becoming law. At this adjourned meeting the members before named did not attend, in accordance with their agreement, and in the preceding night, the presence of five members, by the Proclamation, and the presence of three members, caused the bill to fall inoperative, and it still remains at that stage, to the disappointment of the inhabitants and property holders.

Resolved, That the four members who have infamously attended, and grove to do their duty at the council meetings, were in this instance of the suspension of the "Fire Prevention Bill," bound to record their disapproval of the conduct of the seceding members, in the following manner, (on 24 April) viz:

Resolved, That important bye-laws, beside the "Fire Prevention Bill," have been prepared, and are in progress, for transmission to His Excellency the Governor for approval; all of which, by reason of the members named manifesting their unjustifiable opposition by desertion of their posts, are of no avail.

Resolved, That the varied business of the council, except that which bears upon the circumstances of its inability to pass bye-laws, is progressing satisfactorily to the satisfaction of the citizens, and that the four members, who do not strive to render the interests and taxes of the citizens subservient to their own private ends; and the said members being under the impression that they have full power by the Proclamation to appropriate the money granted by His Excellency, they are proceeding with the public improvements.

Resolved, That this council transmit the foregoing statement of facts to His Excellency the Governor, reposing the fullest confidence in His Excellency that he will do justice to the council and citizens of New Westminster, by amending the Municipal Council Act, as speedily as possible, in such manner as he in his wisdom may deem best, in order to remove the unforeseen impediment which obstructs the representatives of the city in the upright execution of their duty toward all parties. The council would respectfully suggest to His Excellency that by granting power to said four members to pass such bye-laws as may be necessary, would be the most expedient method of removing the present difficulty.

Moved by Mr. Dickinson, seconded by Mr. Cormack, and carried: That the President be instructed to transmit the foregoing resolutions to His Excellency the Governor, requesting his immediate action thereon.—carried.

Moved by Mr. Manson, seconded by Mr. Dickinson, and carried: That the time be extended for completing the contracts on Columbia street to two months.—carried.

On motion the council adjourned.

The council met pursuant to adjournment on Monday evening, April 15th. Members present: The President (Mr. Ramsay), and Messrs. Cormack, Manson and Dickinson. Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Moved by Mr. Dickinson, seconded by Mr. Cormack, and carried: That the tenders for grading Columbia street be laid over till next meeting, Wednesday, April 17th.—carried.

Moved by Mr. Dickinson, seconded by Mr. Manson, and carried: That the tenders for closing around the north-east Bridge be awarded to J. A. Culbreth, and if the work be not commenced to-morrow (April 16th), that Wilson & Co. be tender be accepted.—carried.

Moved by Mr. Dickinson, seconded by Mr. Manson, and carried: That in consequence of the cemetery not having been surveyed, new tenders are called for, to be received up to 12 o'clock Monday, April 22nd.—carried.

Moved by Mr. Manson, seconded by Mr. Dickinson, and carried: That the committee of public works examine into Mr. Crughart's tender, and the security given to perform the work specified, and report on Wednesday.—carried.

Moved by Mr. Cormack, seconded by Mr. Dickinson, and carried: That the time for the payment of taxes on town lots be extended to 2 p. m., on Wednesday, 1st May.—carried.

Moved by Mr. Cormack, seconded by Mr. Manson, and carried: That the President of the Council write to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, requesting the favor of a list of the forfeited, abandoned, and unsold water frontage of the city, with a view to an application being made to the government by the council for a lease of the same to the city.—carried.

Moved by Mr. Dickinson, seconded by Mr. Manson, and carried: That the matters complained of by Mr. Kirkpatrick and Mr. Clarkson, referring to trees having been felled by contractors, and falling on adjoining grounds, to the inconvenience and cost to other parties in afterwards clearing off the same, be inquired into by the committee of public works, and report thereon at next meeting of council.—carried.

Moved by Mr. Dickinson, seconded by Mr. Manson, and carried: That the committee of public works be instructed to examine Mary, Blackwood, and Merrivale streets, and report on what parts of said streets earth can be removed to fill up hollows in other streets to be graded.—carried.

On motion the council adjourned till Wednesday evening, at 8 o'clock.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATORY, NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.

FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, 1861.

The highest reading of the Barometer, corrected for temperature, was 30.49 inches on the 13th.

The lowest, 29.407 inches on the 23d.

Mean height, 29.688.

The cistern of the Barometer is about 54 feet above the level of the sea.

Minimum temperature on the grass, 23° 0' on the 25th.

Mean temperature of air in shade, 45° 1'.

There were 11 days on which rain fell. The total amount measured 3.270 inches. The rain fell on one day when the wind was S.; one when NE; five when E.; two when SE.; and two when calm.

The wind blew from the S. four days; SW. two; NE. four; E. nine, and SE. four. The remainder of the month was calm.

The quantity of ozone varied from 1 to 8.

R. M. E.

Observations made by P. J. Leech, 24 Corp. Royal Engineers.

TERRIBLE CATASTROPHE!

EXPLOSION OF STEAMER "FORT YALE."

SEVERAL KILLED AND WOUNDED.

The steamer Col. Moody arrived here from Hope on Monday night, bringing the following melancholy intelligence:

The steamer Fort Yale, while passing Union Bar on her upward trip on Sabbath the 14th instant, at 3 o'clock p. m., was blown up by the explosion of her boiler. Fortunately the passengers had just sat down to dinner, thus removing them from the immediate vicinity of the boiler, otherwise the list of casualties would doubtless have been much larger.

KILLED.—Samuel Powers, blacksmith, of Hope, who was blown up in the air, and fell upon shore. Joel Osburn, fireman; the cook, colored, names not ascertained.

SEVERELY WOUNDED.—James Ellison, butcher, of Hope, was carried up in the air to a great height, and fell in the water; Thos. King, one leg carried off.

SLIGHTLY WOUNDED.—Capt. Grant, R. E.—Stevens, C. E., and Dr. Oliver of this place; also, Hon. J. Langley of Victoria, and a number of others whose names we have not yet been able to ascertain.

MSBBO.—Capt. Smith B. Jamieson, master of the boat, was at the wheel at the time of the accident, and it is greatly to be feared, indeed it seems all but certain that he is amongst the killed, as nothing has been seen or heard of him, unless we take the report that a man supposed to be him was seen from the shore, some hundred feet up in the air, surrounded with fragments of the wrecked boat. Capt. Wm. Irving, of the steamer Moody, who was on board at the time of the explosion, assisted by a number of men, searched all Monday forenoon, but could find no trace of him, and no one appears to entertain the slightest hope.

Capt. Jamieson was about 28 years of age, a native of the town of Corrie, on the Isle of Arran, Scotland, and brother to Arch. Jamieson, Esq., of Victoria, owner of the new steamer "Cariboo," now lying at that port. Although only a short time on this river, yet by his quiet, gentlemanly and honorable deportment, he has secured the good will of all, and the warm esteem and friendship of many. His untimely fate will be a sad blow to his affectionate brother, and especially to his aged and respected parents in the town of Corrie.

As a navigator he was skillful, fearless, and successful; as a captain, a universal favorite; and as a gentleman, unspotted. May Heaven comfort the hearts of his bereaved family and connections, and may this sad event prove a warning to us all. Verily, "in the midst of life we are in death."

A number of Chinese, and several Indians, are also said to be missing. The recovered bodies of the killed were brought down to Hope, where the coroner, P. O'Reilly, Esq., J. P., was holding an inquest when the Moody left.

Various reports, as to the cause of this dreadful accident, are, of course, afloat; but we refrain from saying anything upon this point, judging it best to await the finding of the jury.

The steamer is a total wreck, lying at Sutton & Helmer's ice-house, a little below Hope, on the opposite side; and as she was uninsured, the loss will fall heavily upon her enterprising owners. Her cargo, valued at \$60,000, will be partially saved in a damaged state. Of the boat the engine is the only part that will be saved.

Capt. Irving informs us that pieces of the boiler were picked up at a distance of over half a mile from the scene of the disaster.

This sad accident has cast a gloom over our city. The flags in the harbor and in the city are all flying at half mast, excepting the Revenue flag, and every countenance bespeaks deep feeling for the lost and the bereaved.

CORRESPONDENCE.

We do not hold ourselves legally responsible for anything which may appear under the above head. Communications, in order to insure insertion must be brief, of public importance, and must be accompanied with the bona fide name of the author.

To the Editor of the British Columbian.

Sir:—It appears to me there is one sort of jobbing which has escaped the scrutiny of your Argus eye, viz: The practice of getting out Government jobs by private contract.

The first case which I call your attention to, is the contract for the wagon road a year ago, to a Mr. Truch, privately, at a figure which enabled that gentleman to pocket \$12,000 in six weeks.

Case 2 of this sort is the trail from Hope to Semikmish, where a certain kid-gloved party was allowed to back out of a contract, and get a fat job privately for so doing.

Case 3, is one that we are all better acquainted with; that of Kennedy's trail on the south side of the river. That gentleman, who by the way was wont to pitch into the Government in unmeasured terms for this very practice, went to the Governor, and by a secret bargain, obtained the contract for making eleven miles of trail at \$250 per mile, and has since the job at \$200 per mile, quietly pocketing the sum of \$1500 of the public money, without striking a blow.

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1818-2 W. ARMSTRONG.

MUNICIPAL NOTICE

To Contractors.

TENDERS will be received until Monday, the 22d instant, at 12 o'clock, noon, for clearing the Timber from One Acre of the Cemetery, and for grubbing the Stumps and leveling One-half Acre in the centre of the Acre aforesaid. Any further information can be obtained by applying to the undersigned.
VALENTINE HALL,
Town Clerk.
New Westminster, April 16, 1861.

THE YALE STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S STEAMER

"FORT YALE,"

Will leave New Westminster regularly on the arrival of the Victoria steamers, for Yale, direct, making the passage in one day, calling at Fort, and for grubbing the new Maleitail through the canyons, being now completed, and all mountain travel avoided, this route presents to the miner and others the cheapest and most expeditious route to the upper country.
S. B. JAMESON,
Master.
1811

THE B. C. & F. S. N. CO.'S

Fast Running and Favorite Steamer

COL. MOODY,

Is now making regular trips direct to Hope and Yale, meeting at the mouth of Harrison River, and for grubbing the splendid steamer MARIA, carrying freight and passengers direct to Douglas, at the lowest rates.
For freight or passage, apply on board.
WM. IRVING,
Master.
1811

MUNICIPAL NOTICE

TO CONTRACTORS.

TENDERS will be received until Monday, the 14th instant, at 12 o'clock, noon, for Clearing One Acre of the Burying Ground, and One-half Acre in the Centre of said Acre, to have all stumps grubbed out by the roots, and the surface leveled.
Also, tenders will be received to the same date, for Grading and Grubbing Columbia street.
And for Clearing off all logs, brush, and inflammable matter around the North East Bridge on Columbia street.
Specifications and any further information can be obtained at the office of the undersigned.
VALENTINE HALL,
Town Clerk.
New Westminster, April 9, 1861.
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NEW WESTMINSTER, B. C.
INFORMS THE Traders and Miners of Fraser River that he is now prepared to furnish all kinds of camping utensils, in Tin, Iron, and Copper, for Miners and Family use.
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BRITISH COLUMBIA.

PUBLIC NOTICE.

A SALE of Town Lots at Katoosh will be held at that place on the 1st day of May next.

The upset price of unoccupied lots is Twenty Pounds (£20), and of occupied lots an amount which shall include the valuation on improvements. The upset price of portions of lots on which there are buildings, that may be put up to sale, will be in proportion to the frontage, together with the valuation of the improvements. Further information concerning these, can be obtained at the office of the Assistant Commissioner of Lands at Lytton.

The conditions of the sale are as follows: Ten per cent. deposit of the purchase money to be paid at the day of sale, and the remainder in three monthly instalments, on or before the 1st day of August, 1861, by which date, if the whole be not paid, the Lots will positively be forfeited, together with all sums paid thereon.

The amount of valuation of improvements in each particular case must, however, be paid in full on the day of sale.

For further particulars apply to the Assistant Commissioner of Lands at Lytton.
R. C. MOODY, Colonel R. E. and Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works.
New Westminster, B. C.,
9th April, 1861.
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Government Assay Office.

NEW WESTMINSTER, BRITISH COLUMBIA.

April 4th, 1861.

ASSAYS OF GOLD BULLION are made on the following terms, and under the following conditions:

1. A receipt will be given to the Depositor for the exact gross weight of his deposit.
2. The resulting ingot will be delivered to any party returning the aforesaid receipt, whether the Depositor or any one else, and the party returning the receipt will be required to cancel it by his signature at the time of receiving the ingot.
3. Each ingot will be stamped with its number, corresponding to its number in the official records, with its weight, in ounces and decimals of ounces, its fineness in thousandths, and its value in dollars and cents; also with a Government cipher, a crown encircled by the words, "BRITISH COLUMBIA GOVERNMENT ASSAY"; the clip corner will be protected by a small crown impressed on the face of it.
4. With each ingot will be given a certificate, signed by a Government officer, of the weight of the deposit before melting; its weight after; the fineness; the charge for assaying; and the value in dollars and cents.
5. For all bars not exceeding 50 ounces in weight, a charge of seven shillings and six pence (7s. 6d.) sterling will be made, and for every additional 10 ounces or fraction of same, one shilling and six pence (1s. 6d.). All clips are retained in the Government Assay Office; but on bars not exceeding 10 ounces in weight, allowance will be made off the assay charge, for the value of the clip.
6. Bars assayed at this office, or D.C.M., may be exchanged for coin, at the current market rates.
7. Assays or Ores are made at a charge of One Pound (£1.) for each specimen experimented upon.
8. For a COMPLETE ANALYSIS of ANY MINERAL, Two Pounds (£2.) is the charge.
9. W. DRISCOLL GOSSET.
10. P. S.—Useful geological specimens, whether metallic or not, if accompanied by a note of the locality where found, position with regard to other rocks, altitude, dip, &c., &c., will be thankfully received by me.
W. D. G.
1814

Industrial Exhibition.

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

SUBSCRIPTIONS in aid of this undertaking are earnestly requested to be sent to the Local Committees of the Resident Magistrates. The following are already promised by the Government:

	£	s.	d.
A Building at New Westminster for the reception and arrangement of articles.	200	0	0
Towards General Expenses.	20	0	0
H. E. Governor Douglas, C. B.	20	0	0
The Bishop.	15	0	0
Lady Franklin.	5	0	0
Colonel Moody.	20	0	0
Capt. Gosset.	5	0	0
Mr. Seddall.	5	0	0
Capt. Parsons.	5	0	0
Mr. Begbie.	10	0	0
Mr. Holbrook.	5	0	0
Mr. Newton.	3	0	0
Capt. Grant.	5	0	0
Rev. Mr. Knipe.	3	0	0
Rev. Mr. Sheepshanks.	3	0	0
Mr. Homer.	5	0	0
Capt. Luard.	5	0	0
New Westminster, April 9th, 1861.			1811.

MORRIS PRICE, DECEASED.

NOTICE TO DEBTORS AND CREDITORS.—The Creditors and others having claims against the Estate of Mr. Morris Price, late of Cayoosh, British Columbia, are hereby required, on or before the 20th day of May next, to send in full particulars of their claims to Mr. Simon Reinhard, Victoria, Vancouver Island, the Administrator of the estate and effects of the Deceased, and in default thereof, they will be peremptorily excluded from all benefit under the administration, and notice is hereby further given, that all persons indebted to the estate of the said deceased, are required forthwith to pay the amount of their debts to the said Administrator.

H. P. WALKER,
Barrister-at-Law.
New Westminster, April 5th, 1861.
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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF CIVIL JUSTICE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

In Re the Town Lot Leases Relief Act, 1860.

Ex parte Peter O'Reilly, Petitioner

To F. D. MacDougall and Ebenezer Collins.—Take notice that the Petitioner will, at the next Assizes at Fort Hope, move the Court for a declaration of Title in his favor to Lot Five, Block Four, in the Town of Fort Hope. Also, at the same time, the Petitioner will move for a declaration of title in his favor, to one several fourth part of Lot Two, Block Three, in the Town of Fort Hope. And take notice that in the absence of any person appearing to oppose the said applications, they may be granted ex parte.

H. P. WALKER,
Counsel for Petitioner.
New Westminster, April 5th, 1861.
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S. E. CRAIN, M. D.

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CHINOOK, TSMSEAN & HYDAH.

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THE COPARTNERSHIP heretofore existing between Samuel Merritt, and Charles Stansbury, Butchers, Forts Hope and Yale, B. C., was dissolved, and ceased to exist, from the 10th day of August, 1860.

All persons who take notice that I will not be answerable for any debt or debts contracted by my late partner, Charles Stansbury, from the above date.
SAMUEL MERRITT.
Similkameen, 17th March, 1861.
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(SUCCESSOR TO O'NEARA & PAINTER)

THANKFUL for the past favors shown the late firm would respectfully inform Printers that, owing to increased facilities, and recent instructions from the Foundry, he is now prepared to sell Plain and Ornamental Type, Presses, Printing Material, Paper, Cards and Printers' Stock generally, 132, Clay-street, near Sansome, San Francisco.
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A large assortment on hand and to arrive.
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S. W. HERRING.
Herring's Ranch, 2nd April, 1861.
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GOVERNMENT STREET,
VICTORIA, V. I.

1811 F. GRELLEY.

I do not pretend to say what amount of blame attaches to the contractors in these cases; but this much I will venture to say, that neither one of those parties are the most likely to succeed in a fair open, and above-board transaction in Government jobs. It is generally the case that nothing but tools or parasites are thus to be benefited on Government jobs.

Our Government deserves the severest censure for practicing this sort of jobbery. If they can perpetrate a job of \$12,000 or \$1650 in a single contract with the Tratches, Dewnders and Kennedys, privately, what is to hinder them taking up the numberless Browns, Blacks, Whites, Smiths, Jones, and a dozen others. In this way, what quantity have we for the proper expenditure of our revenue?

I think Government should have all and every contract properly advertised; not only in order to have it done at a reasonable figure, but in order that all may have a fair opportunity to tender for such contracts, and also that the Government may be above suspicion; for we all know how apt we are to suspect foul play when the Government lets out a contract in this private way. We are ever ready to conclude that there is something rotten in Denmark, and good reason too.

I think Mr. Editor, should not allow such transactions to pass quietly, but come out boldly and expose all such disgraceful corruption.
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April 8th, 1861.

To the Editor of the British Columbian.

QUOQUITLAM, 6th April, 1861.
SIR—I take the liberty of adding my suggestions to yours, expressed in a late issue, on the necessity of taking time by the forelock on the part of the working farmer, in respect to the Quaquitlam Valley and the Pitt River Meadows. The road is to traverse high and dry land, and can consequently be used at all seasons. Of 20,000 acres, which runs in communication with the road at both ends, the Quaquitlam I cannot say too much. All is light timbered, and grows no more pine, than is necessary for farm purposes. No summer or winter freshets to interfere with cultivation; the land good and suited to every crop; remarkably grassy and of the best quality—very unlike the hill regions in that sense. Connecting roads can be made along both banks of the river at a trifling expense, the banks being high and dry and the timber as nothing; the land stumped this season is covered with grass the next. The aspect of the Valley lies open to the south, and the mountains in the back ground. This road will bring the Pitt River Meadows into direct communication with the town, and enable the settlers to hold inland and lowland contiguous. If this district does not tempt a settler, there is nothing in British Columbia to do it.

The Governor says it is his desire and is most willing to give every encouragement to the actual settler, and none to the speculator or land-jobber, of which I confess these men seem indicative. But if people will not take timely advantage of such an opportunity of locating themselves, there is no use in crying out against land-sharps and the Government, at least relative to this matter. Here is cheap land with facility of communication. What more do we want?
Your obedient servant,
S. H. ATKINS.

To the Editor British Columbian.

SIR.—It would seem that our three juvenile councillors have not profited much by the little switching you gave them last week, as they are still playing their boyish tricks. If you are still inclined to use the rod, I hope you will consider the tender condition of these little fellows, and not strike them too hard. If I am correctly informed, this little trio must have more consciences as well as tender skins. These, I believe, are the impenetrable three who would vote away over \$2000 to improve streets west of the custom-house, for the special benefit of the aborigines, who are the principal residents in that part of the city at present. They could also vote \$1000 to make a road to their own church door—which is simply and exclusively for denominational purposes, unless they intend to remove the church and extend the road to Agnes street, which is not likely. They were not content to ask for a foot road merely, which was all that the congregation required, but they must have a carriage road, 20 feet wide; yes, and have all the stumps cut out 20 feet or more on each side of the road—just to place the eye—a thing that has not yet been done in any other part of the city. But when a proposition was made to improve Lytton-square, directly opposite, and which is likely to be the most important square of the city for some time to come, they conscientiously refused to grant one cent; and because the President had the audacity to give the casting vote in favor of the motion, they feel it to be their solemn duty to second, until the majority will come to terms. They now try to banish their sore consciences, and to hoodwink others by saying that they believe it to be the intention of those in power to squander all the funds without improving Columbia street. I do hope, however, that this 1000-square has been let for \$400, and there is about \$2500 remaining, and that the majority are the very men who desire to make a thorough good job of the business part of Columbia street. But they do not wish to commence grubbing stumps and grading before some understanding is arrived at as to the proper grade. That would be too much like child's play.

Whatever might be the opinion as to how the money should be expended, little can justify the babyish course which these three little ones have adopted. If their policy is justified, then the other three will have an equal right to fly off the handle, whenever the chairman moves to vote against them; and in this way the council may be kept hopping on one leg all the year, to the perfect amusement of lookers-on, and to the annoyance of the property-holders.

It is to be hoped that we shall have sense enough at the next election, to send these three little ones to the council. No man will resort to the method of "staying away," because he happens to be in the minority, unless he is both a coward and a despot. Doubtless another year a bye-law will be passed to prevent such "stinkiness"; but we should select such persons as have unshaken confidence in them, and not children, to the council. No man will resort to the method of "staying away," because he happens to be in the minority, unless he is both a coward and a despot. Doubtless another year a bye-law will be passed to prevent such "stinkiness"; but we should select such persons as have unshaken confidence in them, and not children, to the council.

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Government-street, between Yates and Johnson.
MEALS furnished at all hours on the shortest
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The finest Wines, Porter, Ale, and Segars. mar28

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The undersigned having been appointed sole agents
for the manufacture of Messrs. J. & W. Stuart of
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TOWN LOTS in Victoria and Esquimalt, and Farm-
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chased. mar28

NOTICE.

AS we are about closing our business in New West-
minster, parties interested will please address all
communications intended for us to our house of Rein-
hart, Mayer & Co., Victoria, V. I.

MAYER, REINHART & CO.

New Westminster, March 28th, 1861. 1m

ERNEST PEICHT.

BREWER,
COLUMBIA-STREET, NEW WESTMINSTER.

NEW WESTMINSTER BAKERY AND GENERAL

PROVISION STORE.
THE SUBSCRIBER, in opening out his new premises
would inform his customers and the public gener-
ally that he will keep constantly on hand, in addition
to all kinds of Bread, Biscuit, and Pie, a large and
complete stock of Family Groceries and Provisions,
which he is prepared to sell very low. Also has on
hand a large stock of the best Olympia and other brands
of Flour, which he is prepared to wholesale as low as
the same article can be imported.
N. B.—A number of first-class stores to let upon
very reasonable terms to respectable parties.
PHILIP HICK.
Corner Columbia-st. and Lytton-
square, New Westminster. feb13-1c

S. E. CRAIN, M. D.,

Columbia-street, New Westminster, B. C.,
Importer of and Wholesale and Retail dealer in
DRUGS, MEDICINES, AND PERFUMERY,
ENGLISH, FRENCH, AND GERMAN CHEMICALS.
All genuine and valuable
PATENT MEDICINES,
FAMILY MEDICINES,
Direct from the manufacturers, and which he will agree
to supply to the trade at Victoria, Paces,
In quantities to suit at all times, with a light cost of
importation added.
—ALSO—
In full supply, a large and select stock
DRUGGISTS' ARTICLES
Fancy Goods, Perfumery, Combs, Brushes, Soap,
Pomado, Hair Oils, Hair Dyes, Tablets, Hand Mirrors,
Card Cases, etc., etc.
All of which he will sell at
PRICES NEVER BEFORE OFFERED IN THIS MARKET.

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MARY-STREET, OPPOSITE THE TREASURY
Boots and Shoes made and repaired.
W. WOODMAN.
New Westminster Feb. 1861. fey 12-1m.

RETREAT—NORTH CAMP.

FRED HOWSON & J. HILLIARD beg to return
their sincere thanks to their old friends and trav-
elling public for the patronage hitherto bestowed on
them. Their saloon has been fitted up in a neat and
comfortable manner, the best wines, ales, liquors, and
cigars always on hand. feb1-1m

TO LEASE—Lots suitable for business purposes.

J. A. R. HOMER

PIONEER SALOON.

MR. J. T. SCOTT has the pleasure of informing
his old friends and the travelling public that he is
still to be found at the old stand, corner of Lytton-
square, where the thirsty are invited to call and try a
sample of his Wines, Ales, and Liquor, which he tra-
ders himself are as good as can be produced in the
colony.

FOR SALE.

5 cases Claret,
5 " White Wine,
Genuine and of good quality.
feb13-1m

WILLIAM H. WOODCOCK.

ALWAYS ON HAND.

AT THE ORO HOTEL AND RESTAURANT,
COLUMBIA-STREET, NEW WESTMINSTER,
(opposite the Liverpool Wharf.)
Board per week \$6 00
Board and Lodging, \$8, \$10, \$11
Board per day, \$1 25
Meals at all hours, 50 cents.
mh14-3m

W. R. LEWIS.

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FRANK G. RICHARDS informs his old friends and
the public generally that he has just opened the
above superb saloon, on the Liverpool Wharf, New
Westminster, where those who favor him with a call
will find a stock of the choicest
WINE, LIQUORS, & CIGARS.
Also one of the best BILLIARD SALOONS on the
coast.
New Westminster, March 21st, 1861. 1m

PIONEER FRUIT STORE.

SOLOSKY & LEWIN beg leave to inform the
public that they keep constantly on hand a large
assortment of Oregon fruits, confectionaries, cigars,
tobacco, pipes, toys, Yankee notions, &c.
Also, a complete assortment of Family Groceries.
N. B.—They are prepared to wholesale cigars and
tobacco, to which they call the attention of the up-
river trade. feb14-1m

THOMAS PATRICK, & CO.,

Importers and Dealers in
WINE AND LIQUORS,
corner of Government and Johnson-streets,
VICTORIA, V. mh7-1c

RAMAGE,

WATCHMAKER, JEWELLER, ETC.,
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A select assortment of fine English gold and silver
Watches, from the best makers, always on hand.
Native gold-manufactured into rings, etc., on the
shortest notice.
Watchwork carefully attended to with dispatch.

J. A. WEBSTER,

HAS JUST RECEIVED, and will receive by every
steamer, a large and varied assortment of
ENGLISH AND AMERICAN DRY GOODS,
consisting of
English Domestic Goods, English Dress Goods, Hosiery
and Gloves, Woolen and Merino Under Gar-
ments, Plaids, Scarfs, and Mufflers,
Gent's Furnishing Goods,
Handkerchiefs,
English Baltic Shirts (assorted colors),
Towels and Towelling,
Haberdashery, &c.
A splendid lot of
CLOTHING,
MADE IN THE LATEST LONDON AND NEW YORK FASHION
comprising
Fine Black Dress Coats, Fine Black Frock Coats
Fine Black Sack Coats, Business Coats,
Raglans, Shooting Jackets,
Riding Jackets, Extra Fine Overcoats,
Extra Heavy Overcoats, Fine Black Pants,
Fine Cassimere Pants, English Doeskin Pants,
English Tweed Pants, Scotch Tweed Pants,
Plain and Sporting Vests,
Plush " " " "
Velvet " " " "
Satin " " " "
Cassimere " " " "
Tweed " " " "
HATS AND CAPS IN GREAT VARIETY.
—ALSO—
An extensive assortment of
Fine Water-proof Calf Dress Boots, Fine Water-proof
Double-soled Calf Dress Boots, English Balmoral,
English Water Tights, English Napoleon Riding Boots,
English Shooting Boots, English Water-proof Leggings,
India Rubber Boots and Shoes, Good English Mining
Boots, Heavy Napoleon Nailed Boots, Heavy English
Kip Boots.

A full assortment of
LADIES' BOOTS AND GAITERS,
among which will be found
Ladies' English Prunella Gaiters,
" " English Double Sole Calf Gaiters,
" " Kid Gaiters,
" " Dancing Slippers,
" " Leather and Carpet Slippers,
" " India Rubber Over Shoes.
—ALSO—
Children's English Balmorals,
" " Kip Boots,
" " Ankle Boots,
" " Boots.
Please call and examine.
J. A. WEBSTER,
Columbia-street, New Westminster.
dec22-1m

LUMBER.

CONSTANTLY on hand in the New Westminster
Lumber Yard a large assortment of
ROUGH AND DRESSED LUMBER,
—ALSO—
DOORS AND WINDOWS OF ALL SIZES.
Bills of Lumber cut on the shortest notice, and
orders from the interior promptly
attended to.
J. A. R. HOMER.
New Westminster, Feb. 12th 1861.

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YATES STREET, VICTORIA.
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Shoes, Leather, and Findings, of every de-
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all-1c

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Will Forward or Store in Bond all kinds of merchan-
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Office on Liverpool-street, New Westminster, and
with Wells, Fargo, & Co., Victoria.
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ORDERS left at my store will receive prompt at-
tention. Charges moderate.
J. HERKIMER.

THE UNDERSIGNED will constantly be supplied

with all kinds of Liquors, Wines, Brandies, Cor-
dials, Bitters, &c., &c., in bulk and case, which
will be sold at reasonable prices.
All articles sold will be as represented.
feb13-2m

WILLIAM H. WOODCOCK.

SEED WHEAT.

THOMAS PATRICK, & Co., have some choice lots
of Seed Wheat on hand from Australia, Mexico, the
Mediterranean, and Van Diemen's Land.
Farmers are invited to inspect samples.
For Sale by
THOMAS PATRICK & Co.,
Corner Government and Johnson streets, Victoria.
m21-1m

FOR SALE.

50 cases Old Tom Gin,
20 " Sackem Bitters,
20 " Sackem Champagne—E. Clonst.
feb13-1m

WILLIAM H. WOODCOCK.

FOR SALE AND TO ARRIVE.

200 bbls. Flour—Tamwater Mills, Olympia.
feb13-2w

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VALENTINE HALL,

CONVEYANCER, LAND AND GENERAL AGENT.
OFFICE—COLUMBIA-STREET,
New Westminster, B. C.

LANGLEY BROS'S

IMPORTING DRUGGISTS,
Yates-street, Victoria,
are constantly receiving
Drugs and Chemicals,
Patent Medicines,
Surgical Instruments,
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Window Glass, &c., &c., &c.
—ALSO—
Just received a large assortment of reliable Garden,
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prices.

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Has on hand, and is receiving by every steamer,
an assortment of
ENGLISH AND AMERICAN NOVELS,
Bound books of Poetry, Fiction, and Standard works,
a large assortment of Bibles, Wesleyan
Hymn Books, and English
Prayer Books.
Also
a large
assortment
of Blank cards,
Visiting cards and
printer's blank foolscap,
Letterpaper of all descriptions,
Note paper of every size and quality,
a great variety of Blank Books, Memoran-
dums, Pass and cargo books and diaries for 1861,
and almost every article in the Book and Stationery line.
The latest Newspapers of the day are received from
England and United States. They can
also be obtained from almost
any part of the world
if required.
Arrangements are also made to get papers from Can-
ada and other Eastern provinces by every mail. Any
periodical published in Great Britain or America can
be had by leaving an order at the Book store of
SETH T. TILLEY.
New Westminster, Feb. 12th 1861. 1m

FOR SALE BY THE UNDERSIGNED

AT THE STORE OF A. R. GREEN, near the Steam
Navigation Company's Wharf, West end of New
Westminster, the following English goods, viz:—
Blankets, white, red, and blue.
Strouds, red, and Green.
Blue List Cloth.
Linsay-Woolens.
Drillings, stout Norway:
Coats, Oxonian, Paleots, and Reefing Jackets,
Shirts, fine striped.
Resist Shawls.
Able Boots, stout.
India Rubber Goods, an assortment, including
Air Bells.
Hardware, a few articles.
Tea, Imperial and Oolong.
Whisky, Islay, Glenlivet, Campton, and Old
Irish malt, in cases of one dozen each.
Brandy, Hennessy, Martell, Hennessy, and Jinger,
in cases of one dozen each.
Rum, Jamaica, in casks and cases 1 doz. each.
Geneva, do do do
Old Tom, Swaine, Board & Co., do do
Port Wine, Sandeman's, do do
Sherry, in cases, do do
Porter, London, pils, do 4 doz. each.
Porter, London Stout, in quarts, do
Jams, in cases of 2 dozen each.
Pie Fruits, in cases of 3 dozen each.
—ALSO—
Oil, for machinery and burning.
Tobacco, Twist, Crutcho, and Plug.
Corn Meal, in bbls.
Biscuit, &c., &c.
W. E. CORMACK.

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Port Hope, March 21, 1861. 1c

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No drayage or wharfage on goods purchased
for upriver trade. feb13-1c

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Mountain Dew Whiskey, in cases of 1 doz. each
Sir R. Barnett's Old Tom Gin
China Sugo, No. 1
Black Tea, via London
Clothing, Scotch made, in suits, &c.
List cloth and Strouds
Corned Beef, in bbls. of 200 lbs
Timothy Hay, &c., &c.
feb13-1c

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and First street, San Jose. je29-3m

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Queen's Market, Victoria, V. I., and
Queen's Market, New Westminster, B. C.
Are prepared to furnish Families, Hotels, and Traders
in general, with